



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

March 30, 2016

MR. MICHAEL BEST

Subject: FBI FOIA Email Portal

Dear Mr. Best:

The FBI email portal is designed to provide a convenient, alternative means to all Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) requestors to make requests for FBI records. On Monday, February 29, 2016, the FBI received an exceedingly high volume of submissions from you via the FBI email portal which had been generated by script using a list of names. This manner of submission interfered with the FBI's ability to perform its FOIA and PA statutory responsibilities as an agency.

Accordingly, the FBI did not accept these submissions on February 29, 2016, via the FBI FOIA email portal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hardy", is placed below the word "Sincerely,".

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